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COUNTRY Soviet Zone, Germany

TOPIC Soviet Occupation in WEISSENFELS 50X1-HUM

EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 50X1-HUM

DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED]

DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 7 October 1949

REFERENCES [REDACTED]

PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [REDACTED]

REMARKS [REDACTED] 50X1-HUM

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1. a. Only a rear detail of 50 to 60 men was quartered in the former German I Bn/53rd Inf Rest Kaserne, WEISSENFELS (M 52/J 99). Trucks [REDACTED] were used by the rear detail. An infantry unit [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and an anti-tank unit [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] both of which had been quartered in this kaserne, were in the OHRDRUF (M 51/J 15) area for maneuvers at the time of observation. *

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- b. The former German 14th Engr Bn Kaserne was occupied only by 50-man rear detail of a tank unit. [REDACTED]

The tank unit from this kaserne was also in the OHRDRUF area for maneuvers at the time of observation *. The unit had been equipped with T-34 tanks, self-propelled guns, and motor vehicles [REDACTED]

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2. a. Only a rear detail of 30 to 100 men was quartered in the former Infantry Kaserne north of Selauerstrasse, WEISSENFELS. [REDACTED] Dummies of aircraft fuselages were observed in the kaserne area in mid-June 1949.

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- b. The Pionier Kaserne south of Selauerstrasse was also occupied by only a rear detail of about 100 men. Three T-34/43 tanks were observed between the garages.

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- * [REDACTED] Comment: The units from the WEISSENFELS kasernes were expected to return from maneuvers in early September 1949. **

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Comment: According to previous information, the 17th Gds Tank Regt and the 174th Gds Ltz Rifle Regt of the 57th Gds Ltz Rifle Div are stationed in WILSONFIELD while the report indicates that the two regiments were at the ONDRUF troop training grounds, it is assumed from previous information, that the component units of the 57th Gds Ltz Rifle Div were conducting their summer maneuvers at the Kindel troop training grounds, near LIEBHACH.

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- * The statement that the WILSONFIELD units were expected to return from maneuvers in early September 1949 is considered credible. The troops from the SAUERLEB military post were expected to return at about the same time

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